

HOUSE BILL 3061

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2 and
Title 40, Chapter 20, Part 1, relative to qualified
voters.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-20-112, is amended by adding
the following language after the first sentence:

Such conviction is effective when the court accepts a plea of guilt or nolo contendere or
when a verdict of guilty is recorded, and beginning with such action until the person's full
rights of citizenship, including the right of suffrage, have been restored the person is
ineligible to cast a vote in any election whether or not the clerk has filed the notification
required pursuant to § 40-20-113 or the person's registration has been purged as
required pursuant to § 2-2-106.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-106(a)(4), is amended by placing
a period after the words "convicting court" and by adding the following language:

If the administrator of elections of the county where a person is registered to vote, knows
or should have known that such person has been convicted of a felony rendering the
person infamous as provided in § 40-20-112 but the court clerk has not filed the
notification with the county election commission as required pursuant to § 40-20-113, the
administrator shall ensure that the person's permanent voter registration record is clearly
marked to indicate that the person is ineligible to cast a vote in any election; such
notation shall remain on the person's records until such time as the person's voter
registration is purged in accordance with law;

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.

